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Applicant : FAZAN, Pierre C., et al Attorney Docket No.: 660073.488D1 (500055.02)
Serial No. : 09/386,646 Group Art Unit : 2811
Filed : August 31, 1999 Examiner : Hung K. Vu
Title : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR TRENCH ISOLATION PROCESS WITH
PAD GATE AND TRENCH EDGE SPACER ELIMINATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

PETITION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicants herewith petition the Assistant Commissioner of Patents under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for a 2-month extension of time for filing the response to the Examiner's Action dated December 9, 1999, from May 9, 2000. Submitted herewith is a check in the amount of \$380.00 to cover the cost of the extension.

Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 05-1266. This petition is being submitted in triplicate.

Respectfully submitted,
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